

# 5XIC0 Electronic-Systems Engineering

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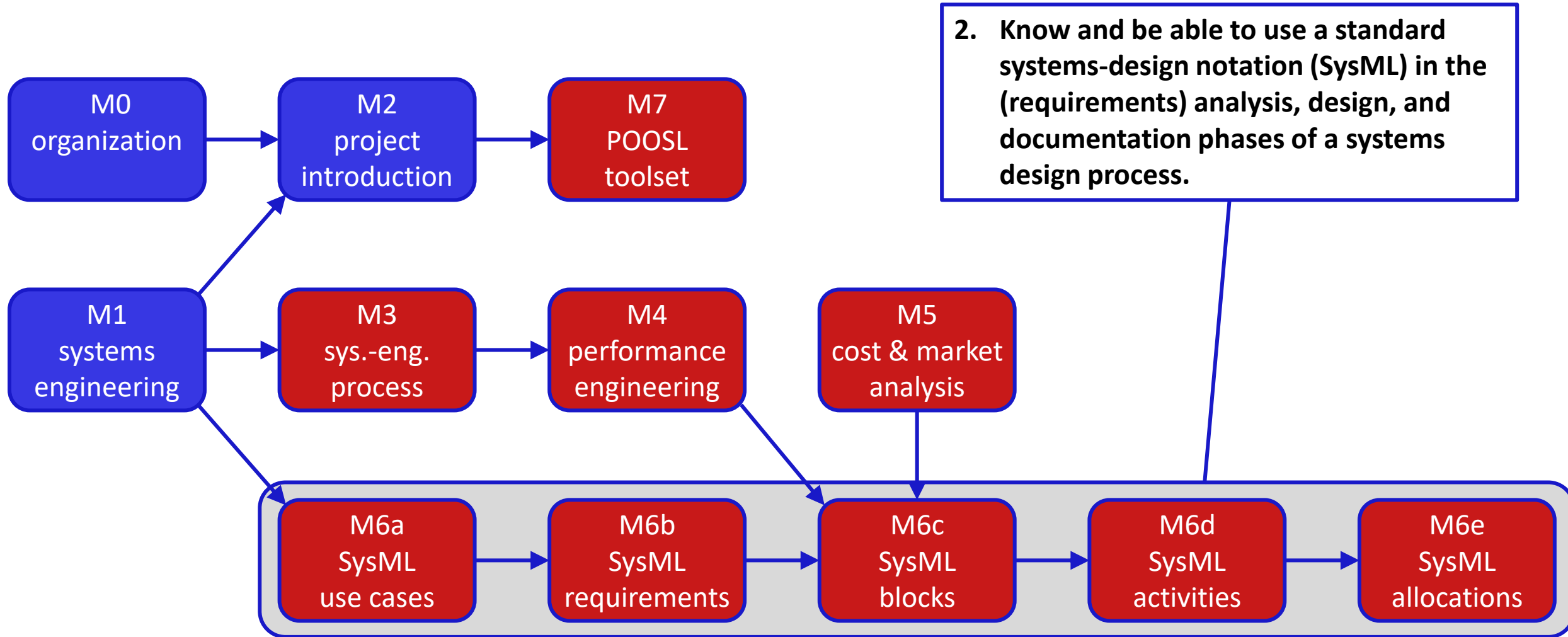
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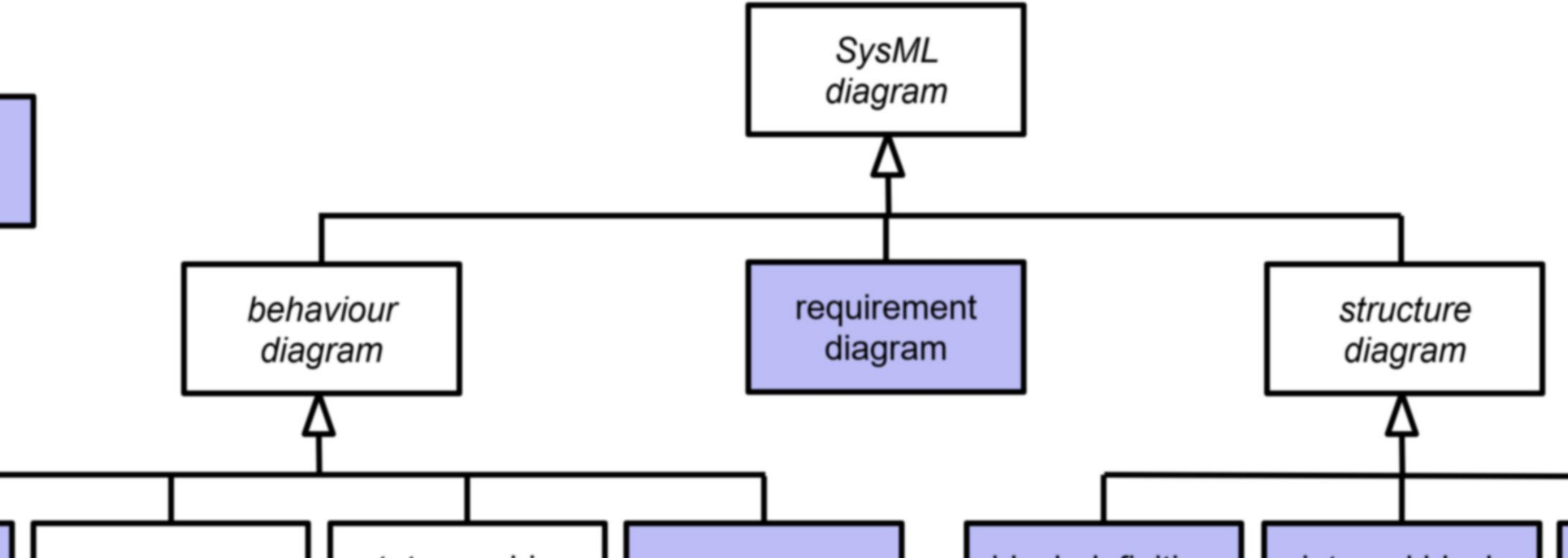
# 5XIC0 Intended Learning Objectives (ILOs)

After attending this design-based learning (DBL) course, students should:

1. Be able to successfully apply an electronic-systems design process, as practiced in industry.
2. **Know and be able to use a standard systems-design notation (SysML) in the (requirements) analysis, design, and documentation phases of a systems design process.**
3. Be able to make motivated design decisions taking into account relevant system-level performance indicators and requirements.
4. Be able to select and successfully apply relevant modeling and analysis techniques in support of design decisions.

# modules





## M6a – SysML use cases

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Slides in part based on a slide set of Kees Goossens and Dip Goswami

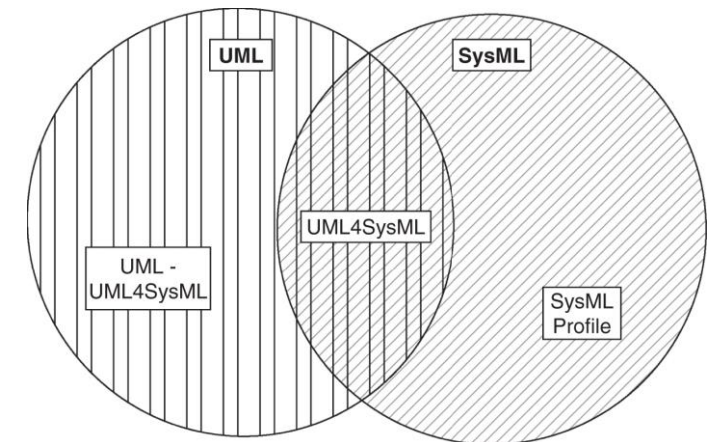
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# in this lecture

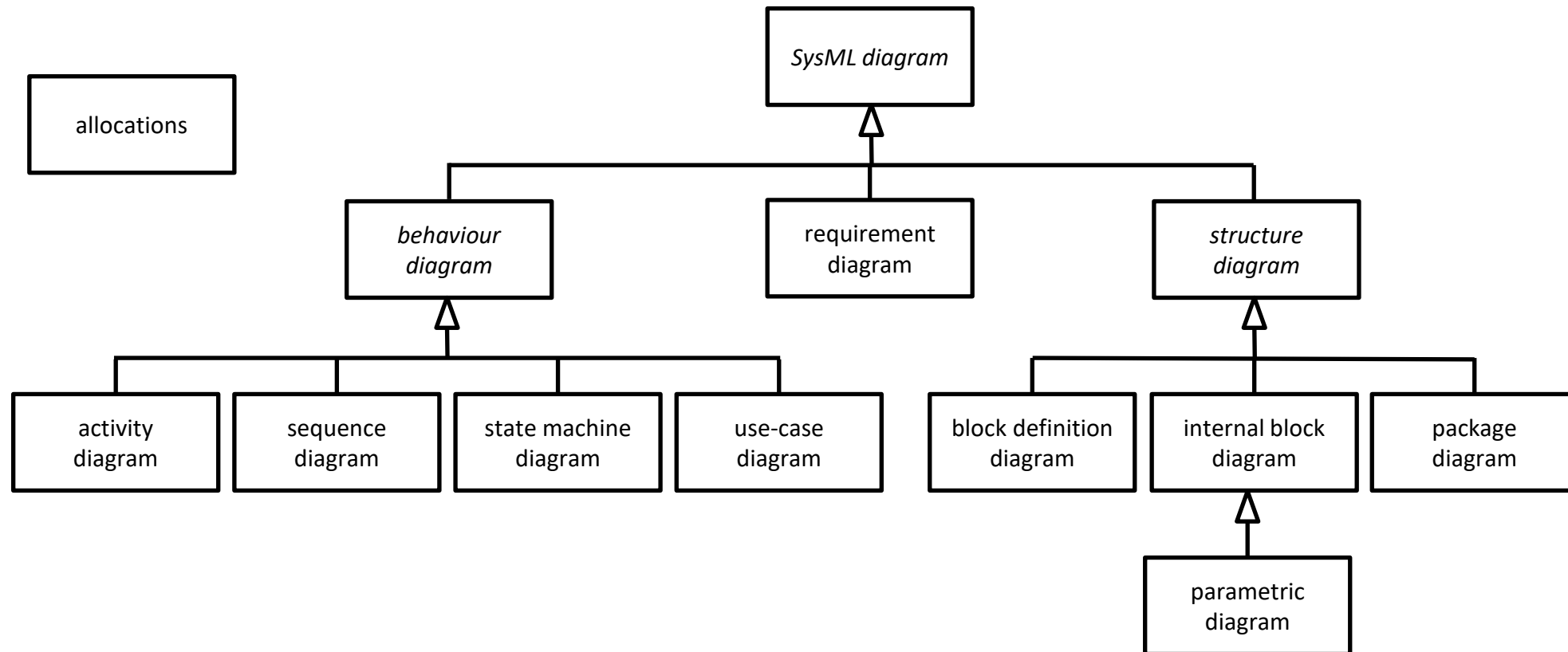
- SysML introduction
- SysML use cases

# SysML – what is it?

- (semi-)formal graphical modeling language to specify and design systems
  - many types of model elements (structure, behavior, requirements, cross-cutting relations, etc.)
  - a model is a collection of model elements
  - views on parts of the model through diagrams
- standard of the Open Modelling Group (OMG)
  - current version 1.6 (December 2019); 2.0 is on its way
  - <https://www.omg.org/spec/SysML/1.6>
- SysML is based on the Unified Modelling Language (UML)
  - UML focusses on software development
  - SysML focusses on systems engineering

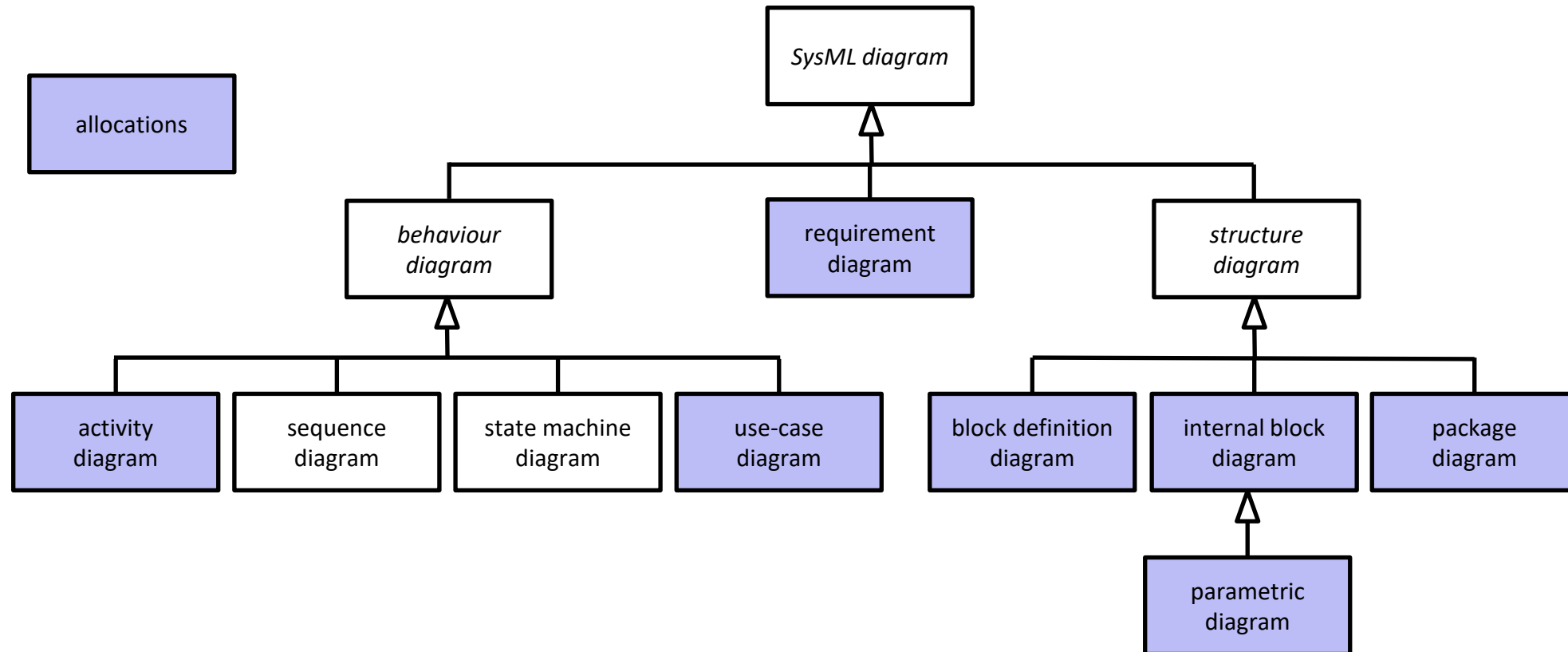


# SysML – diagram overview



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diagrams are **views** on the model  
(i.e., on a subset of **model elements**)





# SysML – diagrams

- every SysML diagram has a **frame**
  - corresponds to a model element that provides the context for the diagram content: the **subject**
  - model elements are inside frame or on the border
- **diagram header** consists of
  - diagram **kind**: the kind of diagram used for the view on the subject
  - model-element **type**: type of the subject
  - **model-element name**: name of the subject
  - **diagram name**: a descriptive name



A diagram header template consisting of a rectangular box with a black border. The top-left corner of the box is folded over, creating a tab-like shape. Inside this tab, the text 'kind [type] model-element name [diagram name]' is written in red. The rest of the box is empty.

**kind** [type] model-element name [diagram name]

# SysML – diagram header

- **diagram kind**: act, bdd, ibd, pkg, par, uc, req, sd, stm
- **model-element type** (for a given kind)
  - **act**: activity
  - **bdd**: block, constraint block, package, model, model library
  - **ibd**: block
  - **pkg**: package, model, model library, profile, view
  - **par**: activity, block, constraint block
  - **req**: package, model, model library, requirement
  - **uc**: package, model, model library
  - **seq**: interaction
  - **stm**: state machine

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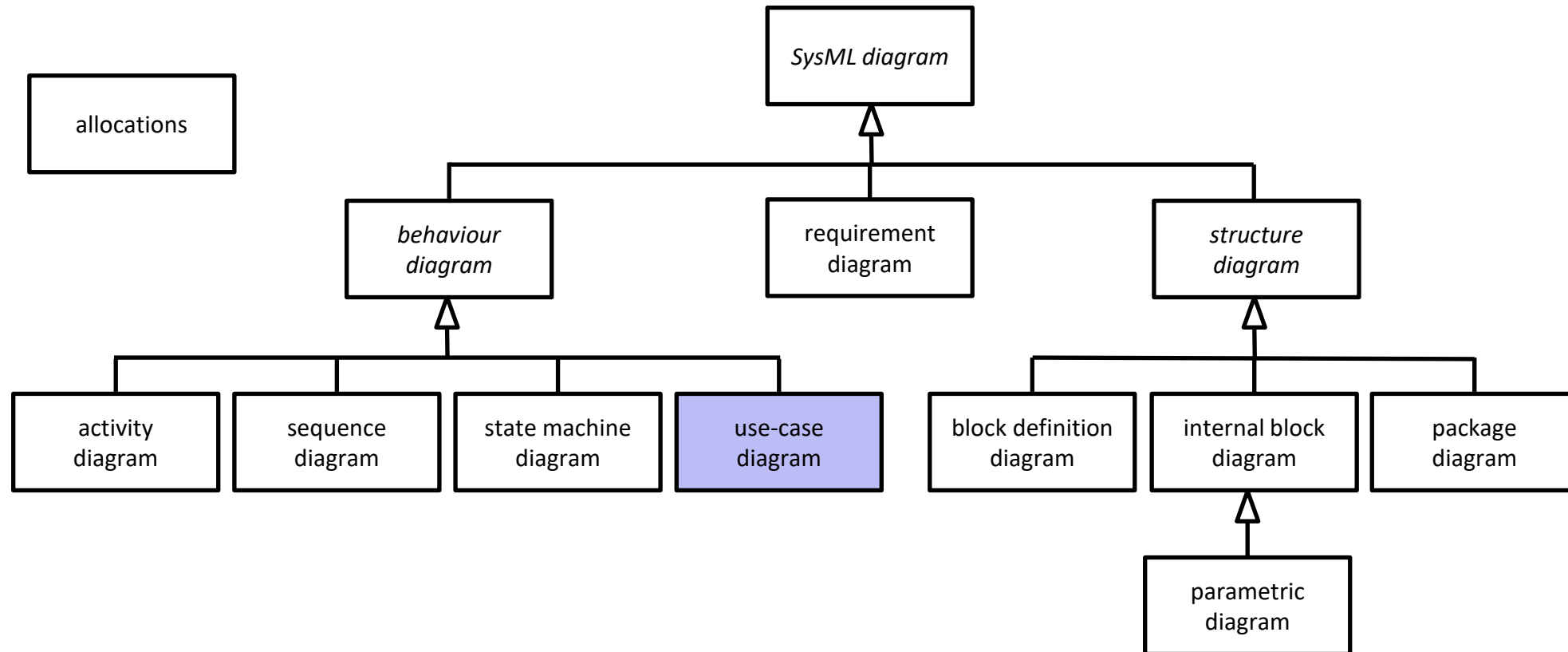
*We will practice this on the go*

suggested reading: section 5.2

# quiz

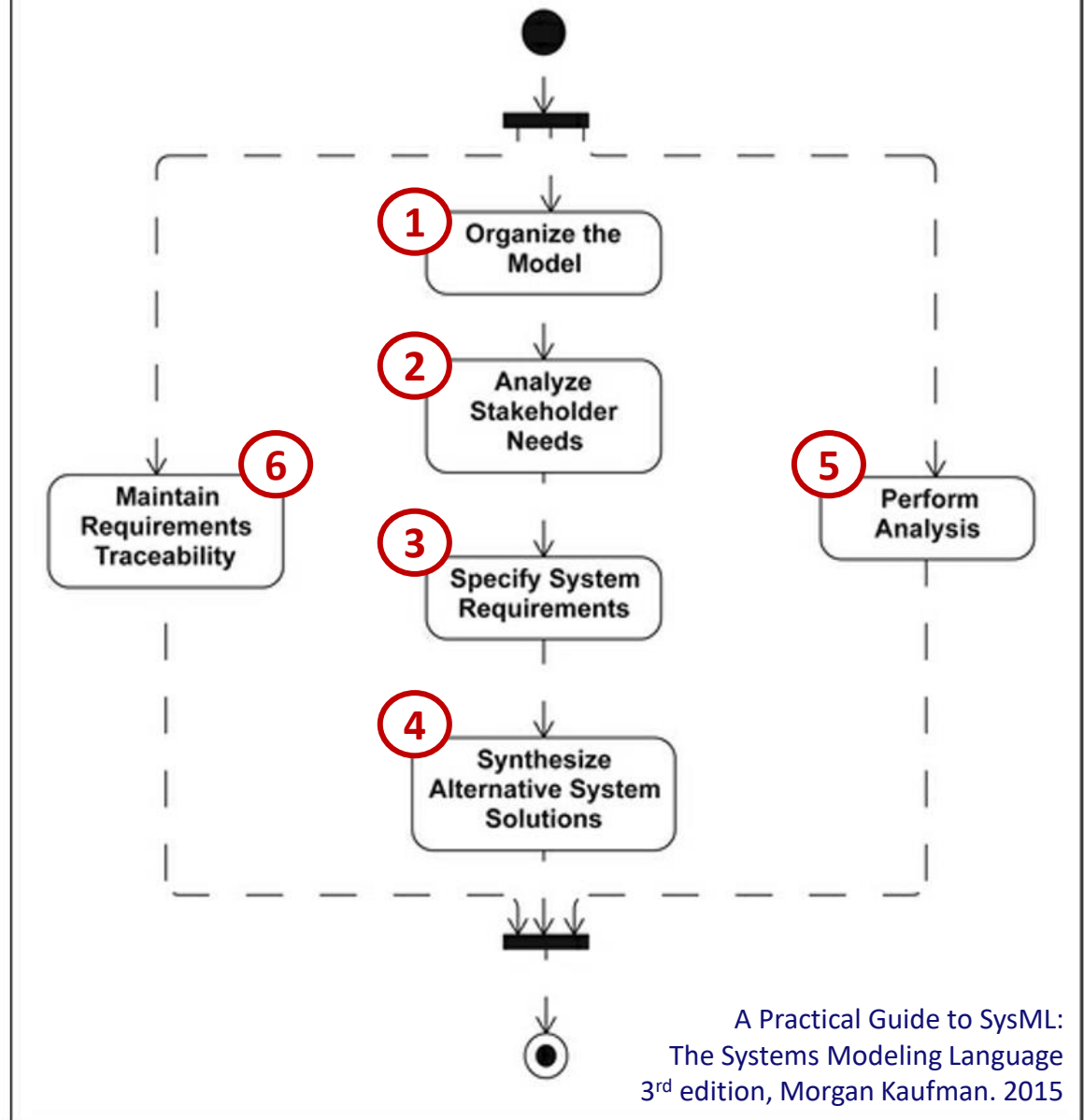
- how do a model, model elements and diagrams relate to each other?
  - a model consists of a tree of model elements
  - diagrams are views on the model (and show a subset of model elements) for a specific purpose
- what are the parts of the diagram header?
  - kind: which kind of diagram (e.g., use case, requirement, block definition, internal block, ...)
  - type: the type of the model element that is the subject of the diagram (e.g., package, model, block, ...)
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# SysML – use cases



# a simplified<sup>2</sup> MBSE method

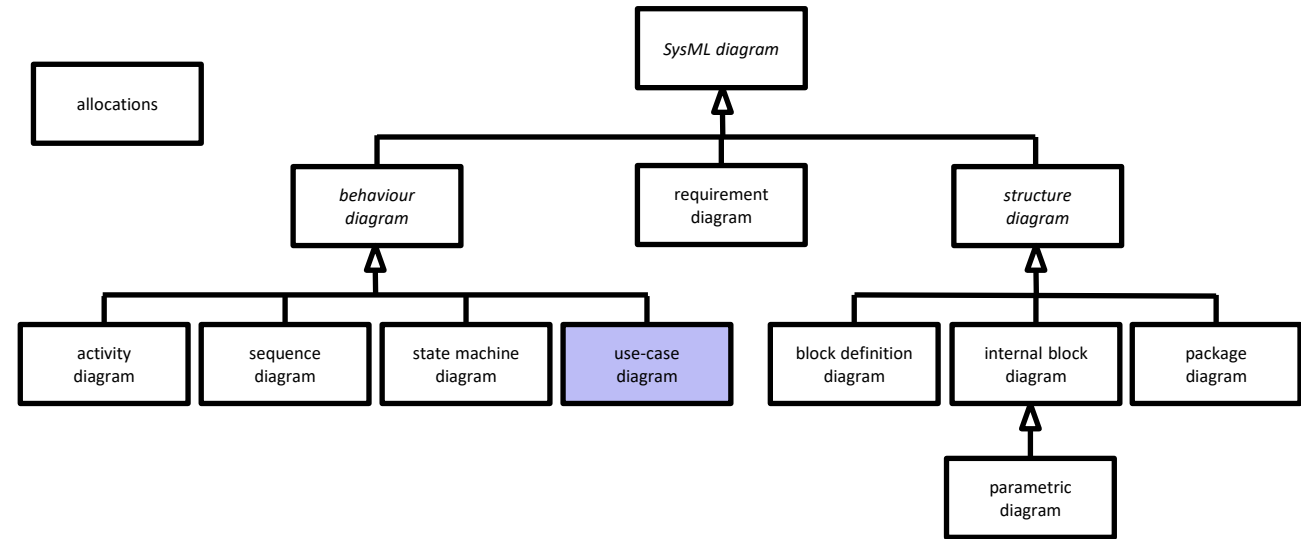
1. SysML package diagram
2. **stakeholders**  
SysML UC diagrams, UC descriptions  
measures of effectiveness (moes)
3. SysML requirement diagrams
4. create multiple alternatives
  - SysML BDDs – system decomposition
  - SysML IBDs – interconnections
  - SysML Activity diagrams – UC refinements
  - SysML Allocations – activities to blocks
5.
  - SysML PAR diagrams – covering all moes
  - POOSL models – makespan
  - verification
6. - SysML allocation – reqs to blocks/activities



# SysML – use cases – what & when

**method** will be introduced in M3  
(next lecture)

use cases are used very early in the architecture and design to capture top-level goals the system is intended to support



suggested reading: sections 12.1 – 12.4 (not the part about use-case extension)

# SysML – use cases – model elements

## model elements

- **subject**: system under consideration (a block; use cases are inside)
- **use case**: functionality of a system in terms of how it is used by its users
- **actor**: users of a system (e.g., human operators, subsystems in the environment, ...)

## actor relationships

- **generalization**: a specialized actor participates in all use cases of general actor

## use case relationships

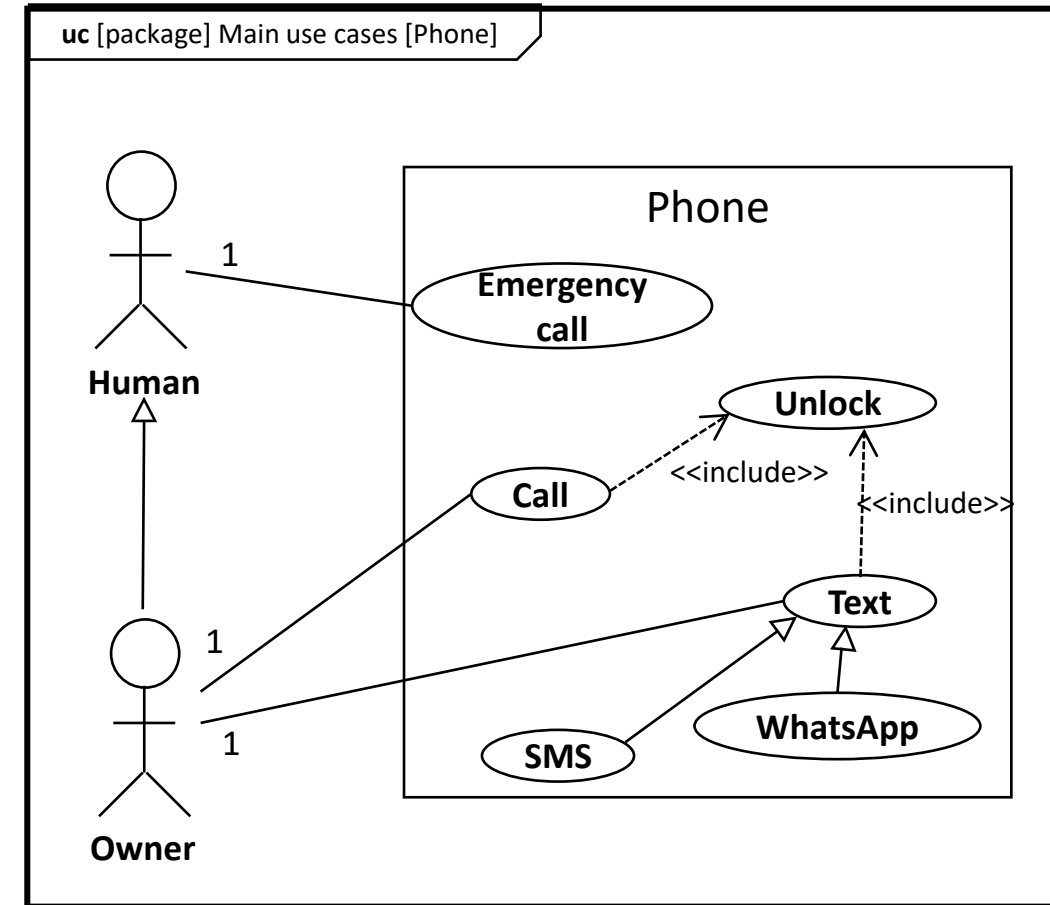
- **generalization**: specialized use case is involved with the same actors/scenarios as the general use case
- **inclusion**: the included use case is always performed as part of the base use case

## relation between actors and use cases

- related to use cases by **bidirectional communication paths** (associations)
- multiplicities on both ends, e.g., 1..\* (default is 0..1)

multiplicity at actor end: numbers of actors involved in the use case

multiplicity at use-case end: number of instances in which the actor(s) can be involved at any one time



# SysML – use cases – construction

## identifying use cases

- **different interactions, functions**
  - what do users expect: the happy flow
  - normal operation, maintenance, testing, alternative executions / timings, initialization, ...
  - failures, exceptions, time out, invalid input, oversize luggage, flooding, ...
- **ask the stakeholders!**

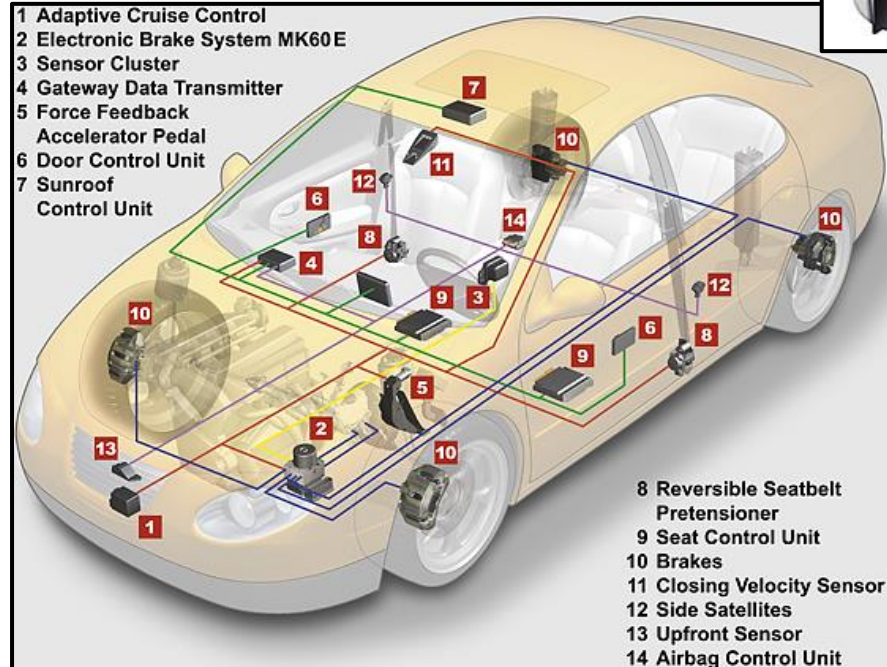
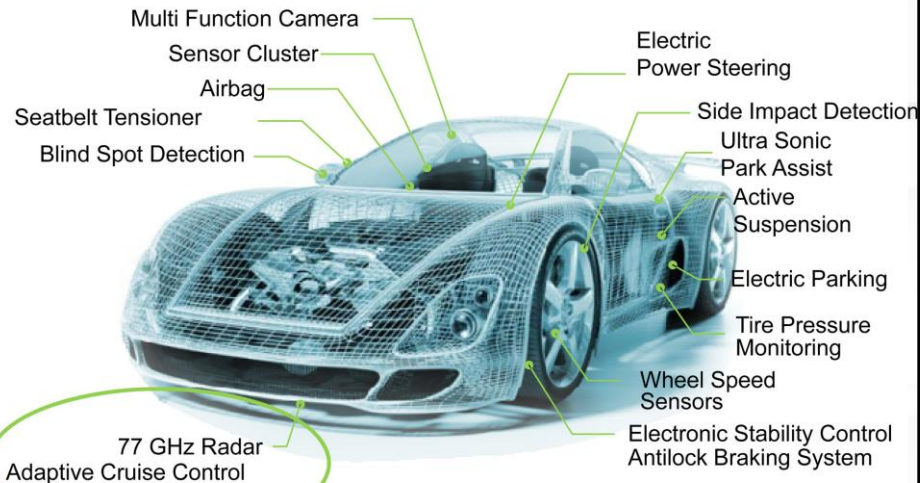
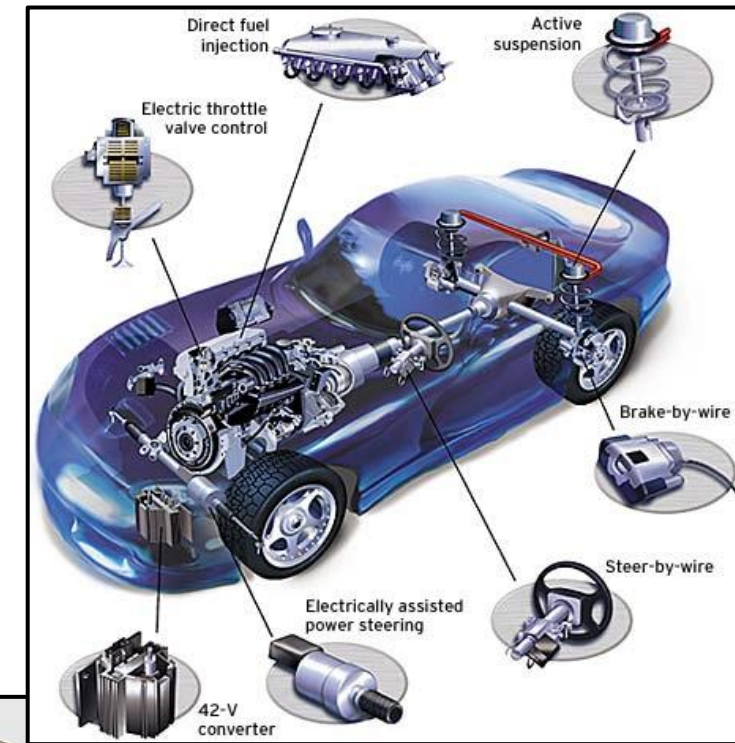
## identifying actors

1. **roles** played by humans in the application domain
  - e.g., user, test engineer, operator, manager, employee, visitor, government
2. **(sub)systems** in the environment that communicate with the system
  - e.g., sensors, detectors, computers, networks
3. **external factors** that can produce **events**
  - e.g., overheating, start time, reset, overflow, luggage stuck on belt



# SysML – running example

We consider an automobile system. Vehicle occupants can operate the vehicle in several ways. They can enter and exit the vehicle, which involves opening a door. They can control the airco, and the entertainment system. The driver can drive the vehicle.



M6a - SysML use cases

sources: motorola, aa1car.com

# think – pair – share

- what is the subject
- what are the use cases for Vehicle Operation

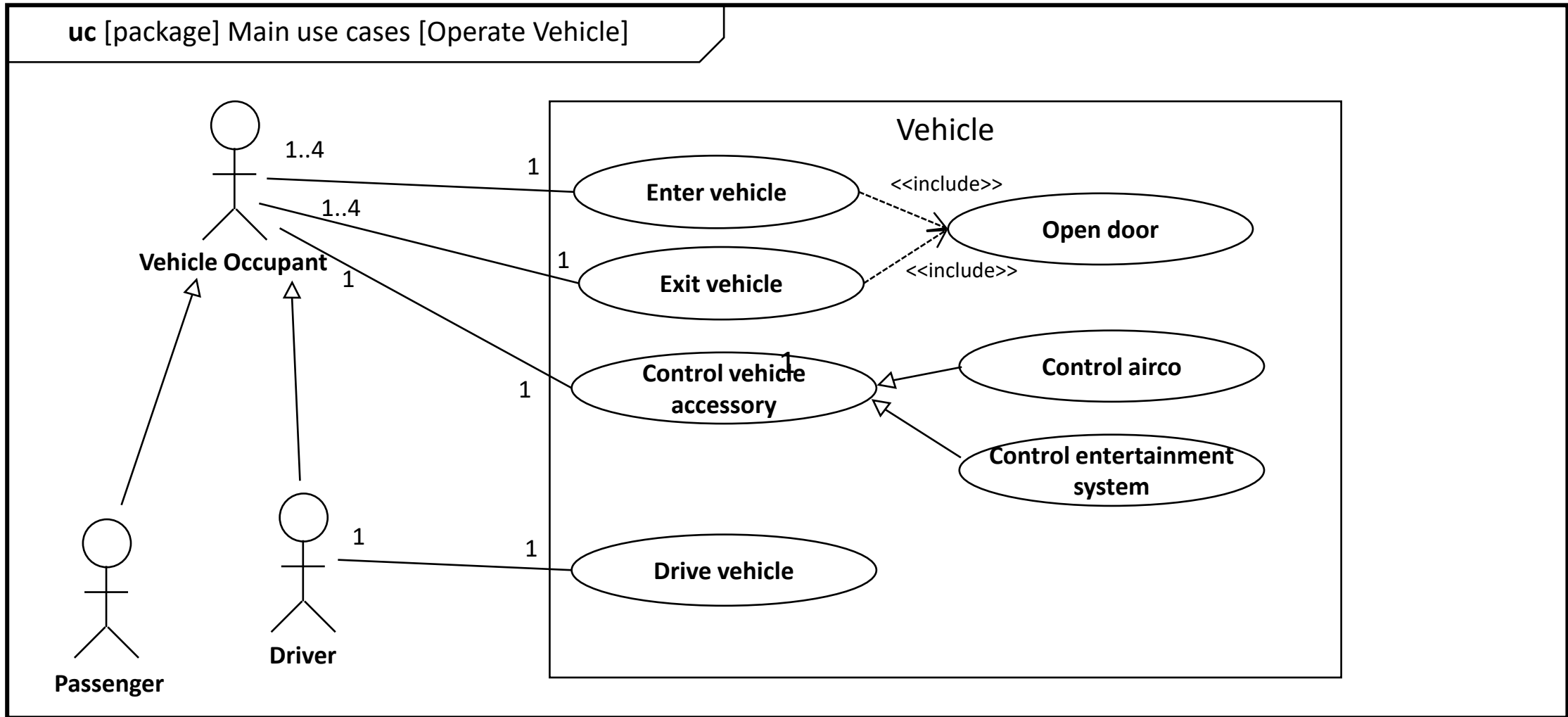
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- what are the relations

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# SysML – use case diagram (uc)



# SysML – use cases – descriptions

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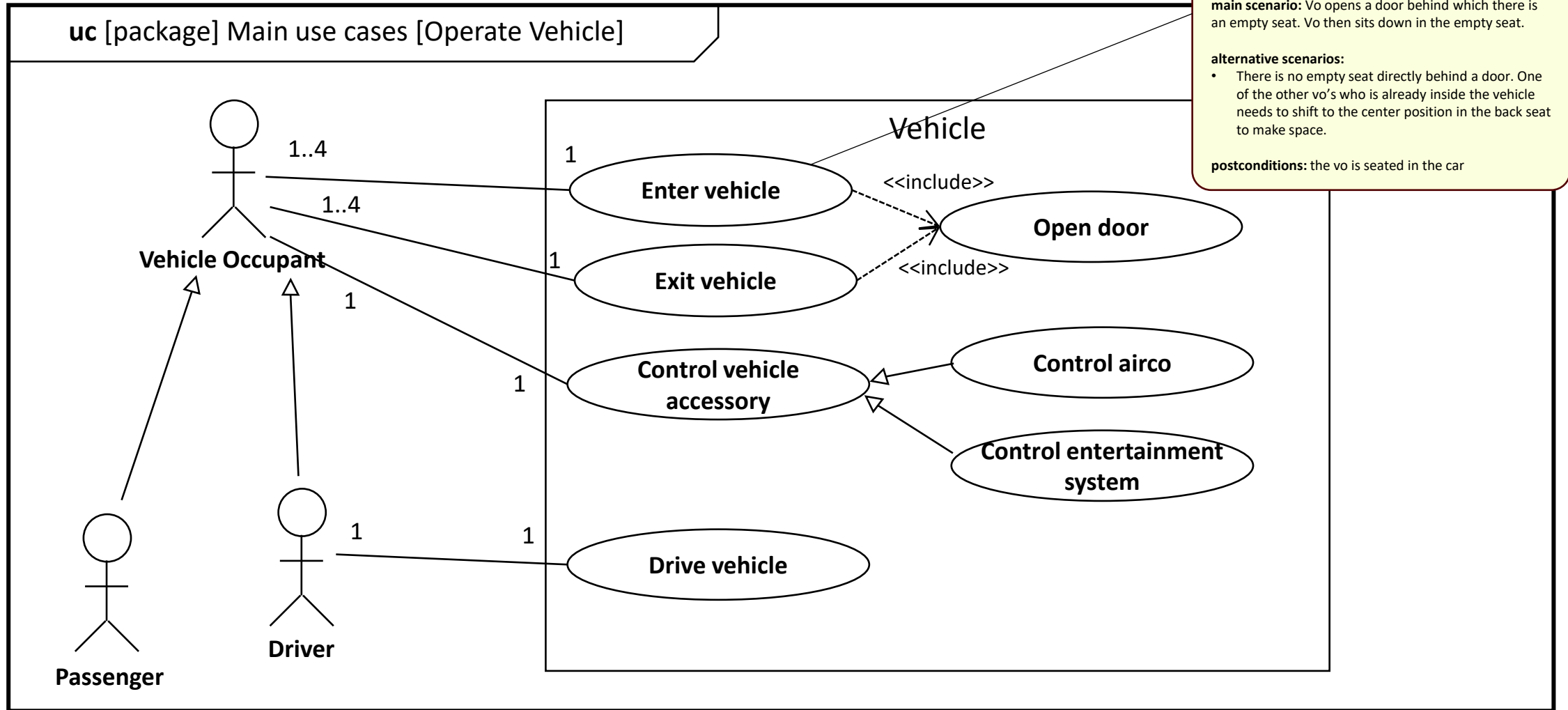
- **name**
- **primary actor**: who triggers the use case
- **supporting / secondary actors**: other participating actors
- **preconditions**: the conditions that must hold such that the use case can begin
- **main scenario**: what happens in this use case
- **alternative scenarios**:
  - list of related use cases, e.g. those that are less frequent or not normal
- **postconditions**: the conditions that must hold after the use case finishes

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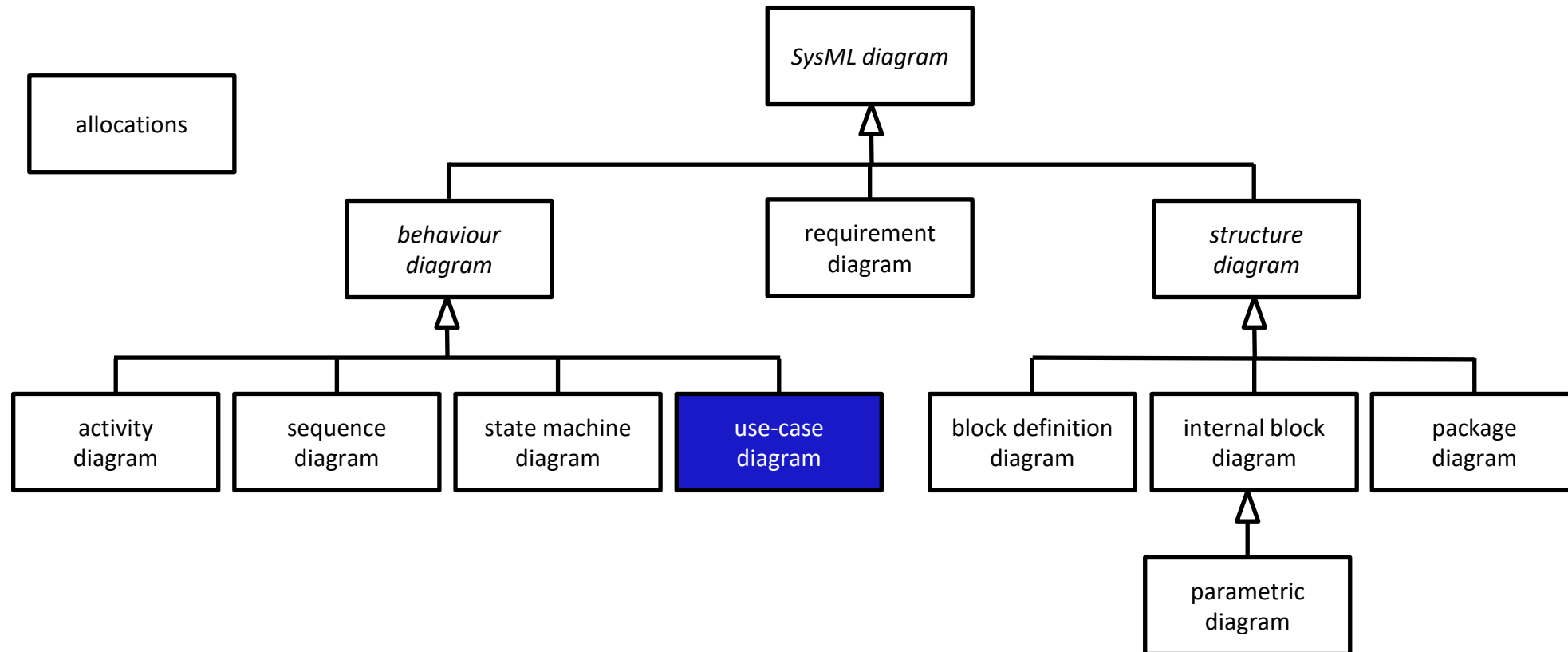
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- **name:** Enter vehicle
- **primary actor:** vehicle occupant (vo)
- **supporting / secondary actors:** vo already in the vehicle
- **preconditions:** there is a free seat in the car
- **main scenario:** Vo opens a door behind which there is an empty seat. Vo then sits down in the empty seat.
- **alternative scenarios:**
  - There is no empty seat directly behind a door. One of the other vo's who is already inside the vehicle needs to shift to the center position in the back seat to make space.
- **postconditions:** the vo is seated in the car

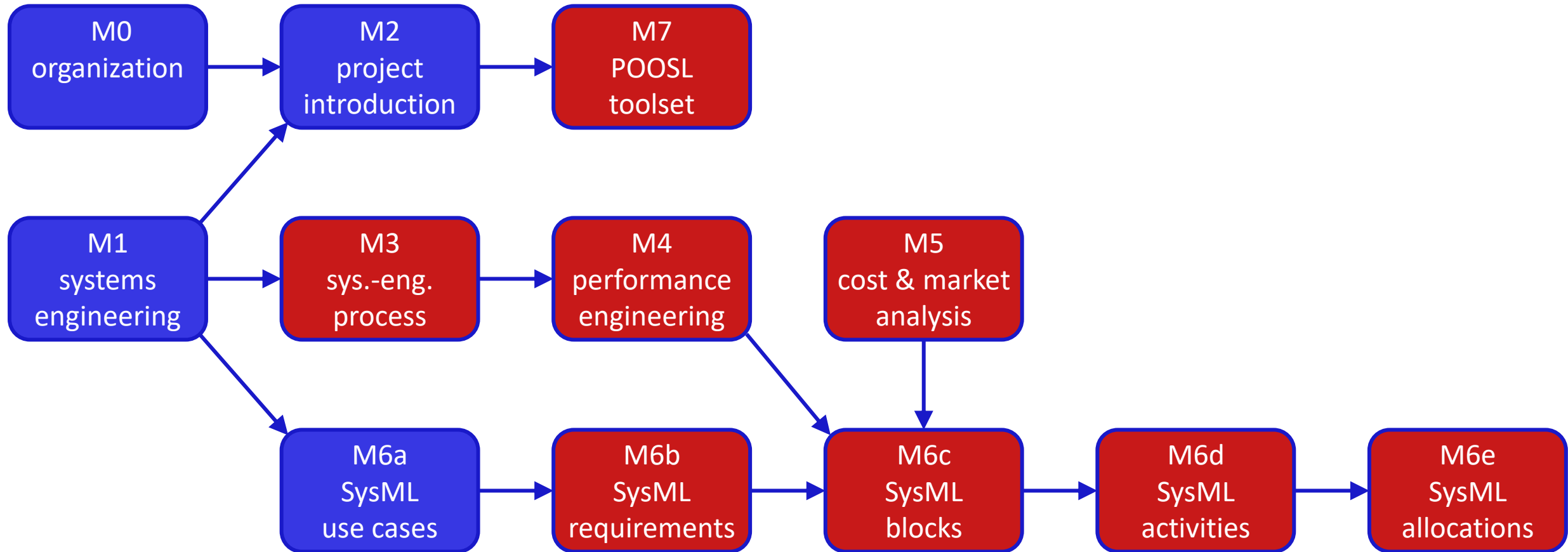
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# SysML – use cases



# modules





## to remember

a SysML model is a collection of *model elements* (including their relations)

a SysML diagram is a *view* on the model

use cases model the top-level goals that the system is intended to support (user perspective)

textual use-case descriptions provide more information

SysML 1.6 spec for details/examples; especially Annex D (Sample problem)

<https://www.omg.org/spec/SysML/1.6/PDF>

# todo before next meeting

- install the tooling (see the project description)
  - Eclipse Papyrus
  - Eclipse POOSL
  - Eclipse TRACE4CPS
  - scripting environment of choice
- form groups of three or four
  - register groups in Canvas
- watch Papyrus videos on packages and use cases